

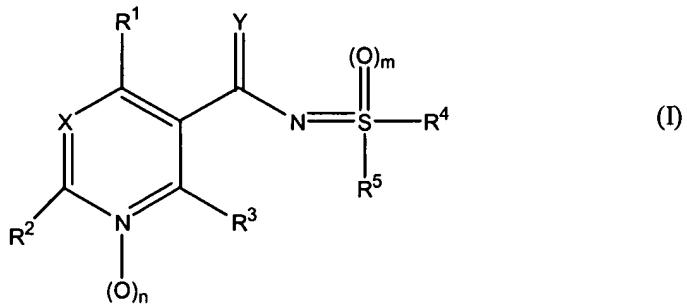
**AMENDMENT**

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows.

Claim 1 (original)

1. An acylsulfimide of the formula (I) and salts thereof,



where the symbols and indices are as defined below:

X is CH or N;

Y is O or S;

n is 0 or 1;

m is 0 or 1;

R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkyl;

R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> are identical or different and are H, halogen or a branched or unbranched (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl group, where one or two CH<sub>2</sub> groups may be replaced by -O- or -S- or -N(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl, with the proviso that heteroatoms may not be adjacent to one another;

R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup> are identical or different and are R<sup>6</sup>, -C(LW)R<sup>7</sup>, -C(=NOR<sup>7</sup>)R<sup>7</sup>,

-C(=NNR<sup>7</sup>)<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(=W)OR<sup>7</sup>, -C(=W)NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -OC(=W)R<sup>7</sup>, -OC(=W)OR<sup>7</sup>,

-NR<sup>7</sup>C(=W)R<sup>7</sup>, -N[C(=W)R<sup>7</sup>]<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(=W)OR<sup>7</sup>, -C(=W)NR<sup>7</sup>-NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>,

-C(=W)NR<sup>7</sup>-NR<sup>7</sup>[C(=W)R<sup>7</sup>], -NR<sup>7</sup>-C(=W)NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>-NR<sup>7</sup>C(=W)R<sup>7</sup>,

-NR<sup>7</sup>-N[C(=W)R<sup>7</sup>]<sub>2</sub>, -N[(C=W)R<sup>7</sup>]-NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>-NR<sup>7</sup>[(C=W)WR<sup>7</sup>],

-NR<sup>7</sup>[(C=W)NR<sup>7</sup>]<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>(C=NR<sup>7</sup>)R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>(C=NR<sup>7</sup>)NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -O-NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>,

-O-NR<sup>7</sup>(C=W)R<sup>7</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>OR<sup>7</sup>, -OSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -OR<sup>7</sup>

-NR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -SR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>-SiR<sup>7</sup><sub>3</sub>, -PR<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -P(=W)R<sup>7</sup>, -SOR<sup>7</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -PW<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>, -PW<sub>3</sub>R<sup>7</sup><sub>2</sub>;

or

$R^4$ ,  $R^5$  together with the sulfur to which they are attached form a three- to eight-membered saturated or unsaturated ring system which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted, and which optionally contains 1 to 4 further heteroatoms, where two or more of the substituents optionally form one or more further ring systems;

W is O or S;

$R^6$  are identical or different and are ( $C_1$ - $C_{20}$ )-alkyl, ( $C_2$ - $C_{20}$ )-alkenyl, ( $C_2$ - $C_{20}$ )-alkynyl, ( $C_3$ - $C_8$ )-cycloalkyl, ( $C_4$ - $C_8$ )-cycloalkenyl, ( $C_8$ - $C_{10}$ )-cycloalkynyl, aryl or heterocyclyl, where the radicals mentioned may optionally be mono- or polysubstituted, and

$R^7$  is identical or different and is H or  $R^6$ .

Claim 2 (original)

2. An acylsulfimide as claimed in claim 1, where X is CH.

Claim 3 (original)

3. An acylsulfimide as claimed in claim 1, where Y is O.

Claim 4 (original)

4. An acylsulfimide as claimed in claim 1, where n is 0.

Claim 5 (original)

5. An acylsulfimide as claimed in claim 1, where  $R^1$  is ( $C_1$ - $C_6$ )-alkyl which is mono- or polysubstituted by F and/or Cl.

Claim 6 (original)

6. An acylsulfimide as claimed in claim 1, where the radicals  $R^4$ ,  $R^5$  are substituted by one or more radicals  $R^8$  and where  $R^8$  has the following meaning:

$R^8$  are identical or different and are  $R^9$ , or two radicals  $R^8$  together with the atoms to which they are attached form a three- to eight-membered saturated or unsaturated ring system, optionally substituted by one or more radicals  $R^9$ , which optionally also contains further heteroatoms;

$R^9$  are identical or different and are  $R^{10}$ ,  $R^{11}$ ,  $-C(W)R^{10}$ ,  $-C(=NOR^{10})R^{10}$ ,  $-C(=NNR^{10})R^{10}$ ,  $-C(=W)OR^{10}$ ,  $-C(=W)NR^{10}$ ,  $-OC(=W)R^{10}$ ,  $-OC(=W)OR^{10}$ ,  $-NR^{10}C(=W)R^{10}$ ,  $-N[C(=W)R^{10}]_2$ ,  $-NR^{10}C(=W)OR^{10}$ ,  $-C(=W)NR^{10}NR^{10}$ ,  $-C(=W)NR^{10}[C(=W)R^{10}]$ ,  $-NR^{10}C(=W)NR^{10}$ ,  $-NR^{10}C(=W)R^{10}$ ,  $-NR^{10}N[C(=W)R^{10}]_2$ ,  $-N[(C=W)R^{10}]NR^{10}$ ,  $-NR^{10}N[(C=W)WR^{10}]$ ,  $-NR^{10}[(C=W)NR^{10}]$ ,  $-NR^{10}(C=NR^{10})R^{10}$ ,  $-NR^{10}(C=NR^{10})NR^{10}$ ,  $-O-NR^{10}$ ,  $-O-NR^{10}(C=W)R^{10}$ ,  $-SO_2NR^{10}$ ,  $-NR^{10}SO_2R^{10}$ ,  $-SO_2OR^{10}$ ,  $-OSO_2R^{10}$ ,  $-OR^{10}$ ,  $-NR^{10}$ ,  $-SR^{10}$ ,  $-SiR^{10}_3$ ,  $-PR^{10}_2$ ,  $-P(=W)R^{10}$ ,  $-SOR^{10}$ ,  $-SO_2R^{10}$ ,  $-PW_2R^{10}$ ,  $-PW_3R^{10}$ ; or two radicals  $R^9$  together form  $(=W)$ ,  $(=NR^{10})$ ,  $(=CR_2^{10})$ ,  $(=CHR^{10})$  or  $(=CH_2)$ ;

$R^{10}$  are identical or different and are  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkenyl,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkynyl,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl,  $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyl,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl- $(C_1-C_4)$ alkyl,  $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyl- $(C_1-C_4)$ alkyl,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl- $(C_1-C_4)$ -alkenyl,  $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyl- $(C_2-C_4)$ -alkenyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl- $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkenyl- $(C_3-C_8)$ cycloalkyl,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkynyl- $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl- $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyl,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkenyl- $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyl, aryl, heterocyclyl; where the radicals mentioned are optionally-substituted by one or more radicals  $R^{11}$ ; and

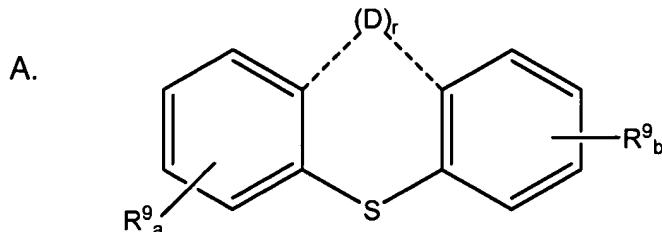
$R^{11}$  are identical or different and are halogen, cyano, nitro, hydroxyl, thio, amino, formyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkanoyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy,  $(C_3-C_6)$ alkenyloxy,  $(C_3-C_6)$ -alkynyoxy,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -haloalkyloxy,  $(C_3-C_6)$ -haloalkenyloxy,  $(C_3-C_6)$ -haloalkynyloxy,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkoxy,  $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyloxy,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -halocycloalkoxy,  $(C_4-C_8)$ -halocycloalkenyloxy,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl- $(C_1-C_4)$ -alkoxy,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyl- $(C_1-C_4)$ -alkoxy,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl- $(C_2-C_4)$ -alkenyloxy,  $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyl- $(C_1-C_4)$ -alkenyloxy,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl- $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkoxy,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkenyl- $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkoxy,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkynyl- $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkoxy,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkyl- $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyloxy,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkenyl- $(C_4-C_8)$ -cycloalkenyloxy,  $(C_1-C_4)$ -alkoxy- $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxy, carbamoyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -mono- or dialkylcarbamoyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -mono- or dihaloalkylcarbamoyl,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -mono- or dicycloalkylcarbamoyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkoxycarbonyl,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkoxycarbonyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkanoyloxy,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkanoyloxy,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -haloalkoxycarbonyl,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -haloalkanoyloxy,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkanamido,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -haloalkanamido,  $(C_2-C_6)$ -alkanamido,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkanamido,  $(C_3-C_8)$ -cycloalkyl- $(C_1-C_4)$ -alkanamido,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -alkylthio,  $(C_3-C_6)$ -alkenylthio,  $(C_3-C_6)$ -alkynylthio,  $(C_1-C_6)$ -haloalkylthio,  $(C_3-C_6)$ -haloalkenylthio,  $(C_3-C_6)$ -

haloalkynylthio, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylthio, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylthio, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-halocycloalkylthio, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-halocycloalkenylthio, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkylthio, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylthio, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkenylthio, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylthio, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylthio, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylthio, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkynyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylthio, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl-(C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylthio, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenyl-(C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylthio, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkynylsulfinyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkenylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkynylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-halocycloalkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-halocycloalkenylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkyl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfinyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylsulfinyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylsulfinyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkynyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl-(C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylsulfinyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkynylsulfonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkenylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkynylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-halocycloalkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkyl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfonyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylsulfonyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylsulfonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkynyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl-(C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylsulfonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenyl-(C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylsulfonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-dialkylamino, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkynylamino, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkenylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-haloalkynylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-cycloalkylamino, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-halocycloalkylamino, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-halocycloalkenylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkyl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylamino, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylamino, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylamino, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylamino, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylamino, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkenyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylamino, (C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkynyl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkylamino, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-trialkylsilyl, aryl, aryloxy, arylthio, arylamino, aryl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkoxy, aryl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenyloxy, aryl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylthio, aryl-(C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylthio, aryl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylamino, aryl-(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkenylamino, aryl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-dialkylsilyl, diaryl-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-alkylsilyl, triarylsilyl and 5- or 6-membered heterocyclyl, the cyclic moiety of the fourteen last-

mentioned radicals being optionally substituted by one or more radicals selected from the group consisting of halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, hydroxyl, thio, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-haloalkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-cycloalkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkoxy, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-haloalkoxy, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylthio, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-haloalkylthio, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylamino, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-haloalkylamino, formyl and (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkanoyl.

Claim 7 (original)

7. An acylsulfimide as claimed in claim 1, where the unit SR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>5</sup> is represented through the following structures from the group A to E:



wherein the symbols and indices have the following meanings:

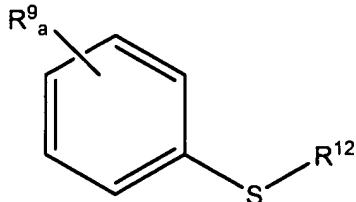
r is 0, 1;

D is a direct bond, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylene, branched or unbranched, O, S(O)<sub>0,1,2</sub>, or NR<sup>11</sup>;

R<sup>9</sup> is a substituent as defined in claim 6;

R<sup>11</sup> is H, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkyl, branched or unbranched, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkanoyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkoxycarbonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkyl- or -dialkylaminocarbonyl or (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)-alkylsulfonyl;

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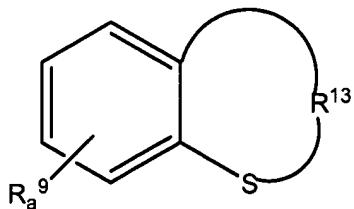
wherein the symbols and indices have the following meanings:

R<sup>12</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>)-alkyl, optionally substituted by an optionally substituted phenyl radical or (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-cycloalkyl radical, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)-cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by or condensed with an optionally substituted phenyl radical;

R<sub>9</sub> is a substituent as defined in claim 6;

a is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5, preferably 0, 1 or 2;

C.



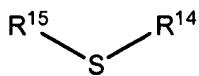
wherein the symbols and indices have the following meanings:

$R^9$  is a substituent as defined in claim 6;

$a$  is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, preferably 0, 1 or 2;

$R^{13}$  is a straight chain or branched ( $C_2$ - $C_8$ )-alkanediyl group, optionally substituted by one or two or condensed with an optionally substituted phenyl radical;

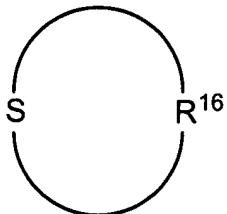
D.



wherein the symbols and indices have the following meanings:

$R^{14}$ ,  $R^{15}$  are identical or different and are in each case ( $C_1$ - $C_8$ )-alkyl, optionally substituted by or condensed with an optionally substituted phenyl radical or ( $C_3$ - $C_8$ )-cycloalkyl radical, ( $C_3$ - $C_6$ )-cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by or condensed with an optionally substituted phenyl radical; and

E.

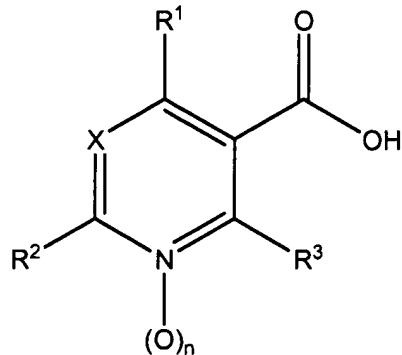


wherein the symbol has the following meaning:

$R^{16}$  is a straight chain or branched ( $C_2$ - $C_8$ )-alkanediyl group, optionally substituted by one or two or condensed with an optionally substituted phenyl radical.

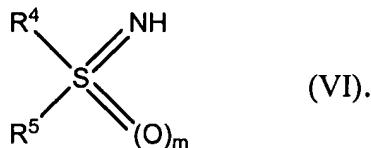
Claim 8 (original)

8. A process for preparing a compound of formula (I) as claimed in claim 1, wherein Y is oxygen, where a carboxylic acid of the formula (V),



(V)

in which  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $X$  and  $n$  are as defined under formula (I) in the form of an activated derivative of this acid is reacted in the presence of a base with a compound of the formula (VI), in which  $R^4$ ,  $R^5$  and  $m$  are as defined under formula (I)



(VI).

Claim 9 (original)

9. A composition having insecticidal, acaricidal and/or nematicidal action, which comprises at least one compound of the formula (I) as claimed in claim 1.

Claim 10 (original)

10. A composition having insecticidal, acaricidal and/or nematicidal action as claimed in claim 9 in a mixture with carriers and/or surfactants.

Claim 11 (original)

11. The composition as claimed in claim 9, which comprises a further active compound selected from the group consisting of acaricides, fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, nematicides or growth-regulating substances.

Claim 12 (original)

12. A veterinary medicament comprising a compound as claimed in claim 1.

Claim 13 (original)

13. A method for controlling harmful insects, acarids and nematodes, which comprises applying an effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 1 to the site where the action is desired.

Claim 14 (original)

14. A method for controlling harmful insects, acarids and nematodes, which comprises applying an effective amount of a composition as claimed in claim 9 to the site where the action is desired.

Claim 15 (original)

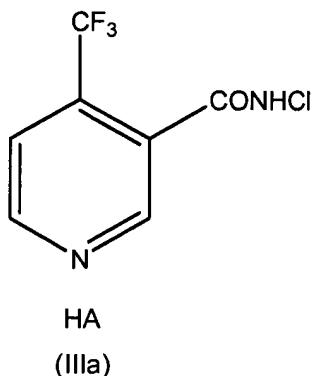
15. A method for protecting useful plants against the undesirable action of harmful insects, acarids and nematodes, which comprises using at least one of the compounds as claimed in claim 1 for treating the seed of the useful plants.

Claim 16 (original)

16. A method for protecting useful plants against the undesirable action of harmful insects, acarids and nematodes, which comprises using at least one of the composition as claimed in claim 9 for treating the seed of the useful plants.

Claim 17 (currently amended - withdrawn)

17. A process for preparing N-chloro-4-trifluoromethylnicotinamide and salts thereof of the formula (IIIa)

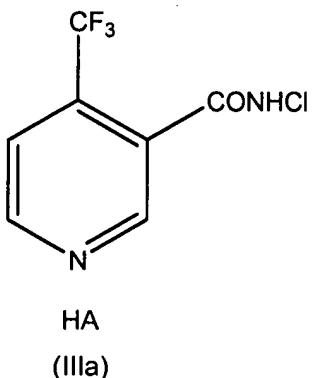


in which A is a non-oxidizable, organic or inorganic anion by chlorination of 4-trifluoromethylnicotinamide with Cl<sub>2</sub> in aqueous acid and optionally and, if appropriate, subsequent anion exchange and/or, if appropriate, reaction with a base, to give N-chloro-4-

trifluoromethylnicotinamide.

Claim 18 (currently amended - withdrawn)

18. A salt of N-chloro-4-trifluoromethylnicotinamide of the formula (IIIa)



in which A is a non-oxidizable, organic or inorganic anion. ~~inorganic anion~~

Claim 19 (withdrawn)

19. A salt as claimed in claim 18, wherin A is F, HF<sub>2</sub>, Cl, BF<sub>4</sub>, PF<sub>6</sub>, HSO<sub>4</sub>, 1/2 SO<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>COO, CF<sub>3</sub>COO, CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>, p-CH<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> or H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>.